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PATENT
Customer No. 22,852
Attorney Docket No. 09812.0501 (Formerly 450101-02654)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
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Tomoyuki ASANO et al.)
) Group Art Unit: 2131
Application No.: 09/807,824)
) Examiner: Jackson, Jenise E
Filed: April 18, 2001)
) Confirmation Number: 6164
For: INFORMATION)
TRANSMISSION SYSTEM)
AND METHOD, DRIVE)
DEVICE AND ACCESS)
METHOD, INFORMATION)
RECORDING MEDIUM,)
DEVICE AND METHOD FOR)
PRODUCING RECORDING)
MEDIUM)

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In a restriction requirement mailed October 6, 2005, the period for response to which extends through November 6, 2005, the Examiner required restriction under 35 U.S.C. § 121 between claims 1-114 and 138-161 (Group I), claims 115-117 (Group II), and claims 118-137 (Group III). Applicants provisionally elect to prosecute Group I, claims 1-114 and 138-161, characterized by the Examiner as drawn to access control to a storage unit and preventing unauthorized access.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: November 3, 2005

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